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NATO PASS GIVAN, US REP NATO DISARMAMENT EXPERTS MEETING

1. FOLLOWING IS SECOND SECTION OF CLEARED CCD APRIL 10  
CLOSING STATEMENT.

2. QUOTE AS OUR SPRING SESSION COMES TO A CLOSE, I WOULD  
LIKE TO TAKE A BRIEF LOOK AT WHERE WE STAND ON A NUMBER OF  
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ISSUES BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

3. WE ARE PLEASED THAT AGREEMENT WAS REACHED DURING THE SPRING SESSION ON THE BASIC QUESTIONS INVOLVED IN ORGANIZING THE AD HOC EXPERTS' GROUP STUDY OF NUCLEAR-FREE ZONES. I BELIEVE THAT THE ARRANGEMENT LIMITING THE GROUP'S SIZE WHILE PERMITTING INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS TO SUBMIT THEIR VIEWS ACCOMMODATES THE TWIN OBJECTIVES OF ASSURING AN ORDERLY APPROACH TO THE STUDY AND ALLOWING THE EXPRESSION OF A BROAD RANGE OF VIEWS ON A SUBJECT THAT IS CLEARLY OF WIDESPREAD INTEREST. JUDGING FROM THE CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH THAT DELEGATIONS HAVE SO FAR TAKEN TOWARD THIS PROJECT, I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE EXPERTS WILL BE ABLE TO PREPARE A USEFUL DOCUMENT RESPONSIVE TO THE WISHES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND REFLECTING CREDIT ON THIS COMMITTEE'S DISCHARGE OF ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

4. A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS, AMONG THEM THOSE OF SWEDEN, CANADA, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM, HAVE REFERRED TO BASIC CONCEPTUAL PROBLEMS INHERENT IN THE SUBJECT OF LIMITATIONS ON MILITARY ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION ACTIVITIES. THERE APPEARS TO BE WIDESPREAD RECOGNITION THAT SEVERAL KEY QUESTIONS WILL HAVE TO BE ANSWERED AS WE PROCEED. MOST FUNDAMENTAL PERHAPS IS THE QUESTION OF HOW TO DEFINE CLEARLY THE SUBJECT OF OUR DISCUSSIONS; THIS POSES PARTICULAR PROBLEMS IN THAT SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES WE ARE DISCUSSING ARE IN AN AREA THAT IS STILL, AND MAY REMAIN, LARGELY SPECULATIVE. IN CONSIDERING EFFECTIVE RESTRAINTS IN THIS AREA WE WILL NEED AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE SUBJECT THAT IS FLEXIBLE ENOUGH TO ALLOW FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS AND CLEAR ENOUGH TO ENABLE US TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN POTENTIAL PEACEFUL USES OF ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES AND THE USE OF SUCH TECHNIQUES AS WEAPONS. THE QUESTION HAS ALSO BEEN RAISED -- I AM THINKING HERE IN PARTICULAR OF AMBASSADOR ALLEN'S THOUGHT-PROVOKING REMARKS OF MARCH 18 -- OF HOW WE CAN DISTINGUISH BETWEEN METHODS OF WARFARE WHOSE PURPOSE IS DIRECTLY TO PERVERT OR USE NATURAL PHENOMENA AS AGENTS OF DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION AND THOSE WHICH MIGHT HAVE THE INCIDENTAL EFFECT OF MODIFYING THE ENVIRONMENT. YET ANOTHER QUESTION, THIS ONE TOO RAISED BY AMBASSADOR ALLEN, IS THAT OF DEFINING HOSTILE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION TECHNIQUES.

5. MY DELEGATION AGREES THAT THESE ARE IMPORTANT QUESTIONS. WE SHALL HAVE TO GIVE THEM CAREFUL AND DETAILED CONSIDERATION WHEN WE RETURN THIS SUMMER.

6. AS SEVERAL SPEAKERS HAVE OBSERVED, THE UPCOMING NPT

REVIEW CONFERENCE AND THE ONGOING WORK OF THE IAEA SHOULD PUT US IN A BETTER POSITION DURING THE SUMMER SESSION TO FULFILL THE COMMITTEE'S MANDATE TO EXAMINE THE ARMS CONTROL IMPLICATIONS OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS. MY DELEGATION SUPPORTS THE VIEW EXPRESSED BY A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS THAT OUR DELIBERATIONS ON THIS COMPLEX SUBJECT COULD BENEFIT FROM THE PARTICIPATION OF EXPERTS. WE THEREFORE LOOK FORWARD TO INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH EXPERTS DURING THE SUMMER SESSION, AND WE ARE PREPARED TO SEND EXPERTS TO SUCH MEETINGS.

7. THE BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION HAS ENTERED INTO FORCE SINCE THE OPENING OF OUR CURRENT SESSION, WITH THE DEPOSIT OF THE INSTRUMENTS OF RATIFICATION OF THE THREE DEPOSITARY GOVERNMENTS ON MARCH 26. AT THE WASHINGTON CEREMONY MARKING THIS EVENT, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE ROBERT INGERSOLL, EXPRESSING SATISFACTION ON THE OCCASION--

SATISFACTION THAT THIS COMMITTEE CAN CERTAINLY SHARE -- OBSERVED THAT THE CONVENTION MAKES "A SOLID CONTRIBUTION TO MAN'S FREEDOM FROM FEAR." SOME FORTY COUNTRIES ARE NOW PARTIES TO THIS CONVENTION, AND I HOPE MANY MORE WILL JOIN THEIR RANKS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

8. THE BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AFFIRMS THE COMMITMENT OF ITS PARTIES TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AGREEMENT ON EFFECTIVE MEASURES FOR THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS. IN ADDITION, MY GOVERNMENT HAS ALSO UNDERTAKEN TO CONSIDER WITH THE SOVIET UNION A JOINT INITIATIVE IN THIS BODY WITH RESPECT TO THE CONCLUSION, AS A FIRST STEP, OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION DEALING WITH THE MOST DANGEROUS, LETHAL MEANS OF CHEMICAL WARFARE. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AS MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE AWARE, PRESIDENT FORD AND GENERAL SECRETARY BREZHNEV AT THEIR SUMMIT MEETING AT VLADIVOSTOK LAST NOVEMBER NOTED THAT INITIAL CONTACTS HAD BEEN MADE BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN THIS CONNECTION. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REAFFIRM THE SERIOUSNESS TO THE UNITED STATES OF THESE COMMITMENTS AND OUR DETERMINATION TO CARRY OUT OUR RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THEM. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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